

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROSECUTION
ART UNIT 1645**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Eugen Koren and Mirna Koscec

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For: **ANTIBODIES TO LIPOPROTEINS AND APOLIPOPROTEINS AND
METHODS OF USE THEREOF**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

12. (five times amended) A method of determining the [relative concentration] concentrations of [at least] two different apolipoproteins in a biological sample comprising:

mixing in solution [a] first and second monoclonal antibody molecules, each immunoreactive with a specific different apolipoprotein [into] in the sample, wherein at least one of the first and second monoclonal antibodies bind to a stable, conformation independent epitope of a lipoprotein that is uninfluenced by the lipid content of the lipoprotein, protein component of the lipoprotein or lipid associated

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